



David Do, Director



Muriel Bowser, Mayor

MOAPIA Newsletter

Agency Updates, Events and Announcements, Career Connections, and more from the DC Mayor's Office on Asian and Pacific Islander Affairs (MOAPIA)

A Message from the Director

Dear Community Members,

The DC Board of Elections reported that almost 58,000 residents have voted in the 2016 General Election as of November 1st! Early voting is now open and available in all 8 wards. On Election Day (November 8th), polls are open from 7:00 am to 8:00 pm.

Earlier this year, my office held an information session at the Asian Services Center to provide an overview of the voting process, assist residents with voter registration and demonstrate how to use a voting machine. Additionally, we also provided recommendations to the Board of Elections regarding polling sites in which language services may be needed for AAPI voters. Due to our efforts, there will be in-person interpreters available at the following Precincts on Election Day:

- * MLK Memorial Library (Mandarin)
- * Metropolitan African Methodist Episcopal Church (Mandarin)
- * King Greenleaf Recreation Center (Mandarin)
- * Chinese Community Church (Mandarin)
- * Kennedy Recreation Center (Mandarin)
- * Foundry United Methodist Church (Vietnamese)
- * Trinity AME Zion Church (Vietnamese)

At other Precincts where there is not an onsite interpreter available, voters can use the Language Line Services to access an interpreter by phone. Each Precinct will also have translated materials in Mandarin including sample ballots, voting instructions, ward specific screenshots from the ballot marking device and more.

With these supports, we are working to eliminate barriers for AAPI voters and increase access to the ballot for all voters. Happy voting!

Warm Regards,




David Do
Director, DC Mayor's Office on Asian and Pacific Islander Affairs

P.S: Mobile Market, our innovative initiative to bring fresh and affordable produce to Chinatown, has been featured in The Atlantic's City Lab. Read about it [here](#).

MOAPIA News

Join MOAPIA's team!



WE ARE HIRING!

If you have a passion for serving the community and wish to pursue a career in public service, join our team!

For more information, please visit: apia.dc.gov/release/join-moapias-team



MOAPIA currently has three job openings: **Community Outreach Assistant, Community Outreach Specialist, and Program Coordinator**. If you love meeting community members and want a career in public service, join our team! Must be bilingual in Mandarin, Vietnamese, Korean, or Cantonese.

For more information or to apply for these positions, click [here](#).

We also have internship and volunteer opportunities available. Please [visit our website](#) for more information.

Upcoming Events

Diwali Celebration on November 9

Happy Diwali

Please join Mayor Muriel Bowser as we celebrate
Diwali - the Festival of Lights - with a lamp
lighting ceremony, cultural
performances and
Indian food!

TIME: Wednesday, November 9, 2016
6:30 p.m.- 8:30 p.m.

LOCATION: George Washington University
Elliott School of International Affaris
1957 E Street, NW Suite 602
Washington, DC 20052

With the support of
George Washington University Sigur Center of Asian Studies

Free Admissions

To **RSVP**, please visit

<https://happydiwali.eventbrite.com>

For reasonable accommodations of a disability,
please call (202)727-3120 seven days in advance.



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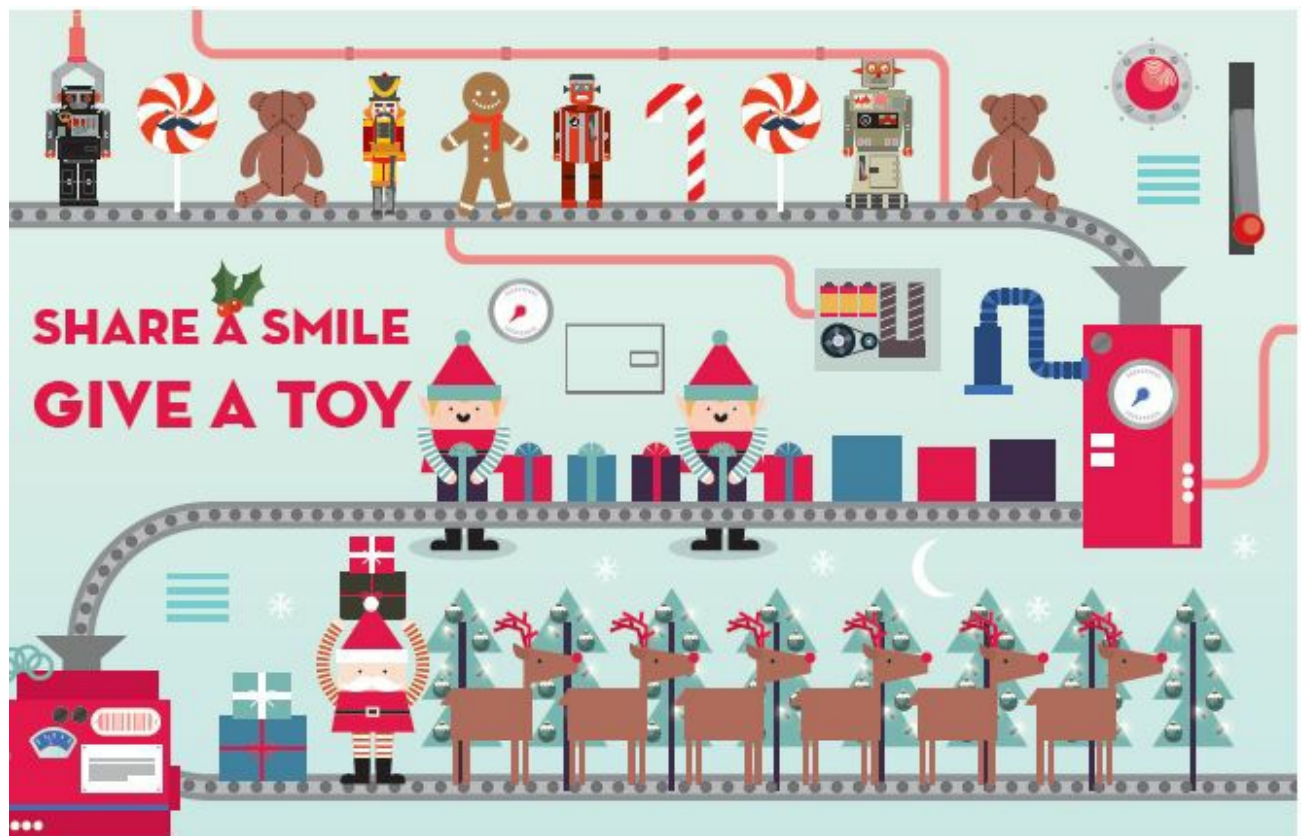
Follow us on social media @DCmoapia
Capture and share photos using #diwaliDC

November 9, 2016
6:30 - 8:30 p.m.
#DiwaliDC

George Washington University
(1957 E Street, NW Suite 602)

Toy Drive & End of the Year Holiday Celebration on

December 6



DC Mayor's Office on Asian and Pacific Islander Affairs
Toy Drive & End of the Year Holiday Celebration

Tuesday, December 6th | 5:00 pm - 7:00 pm
Old Council Chambers | 441 4th St NW | Washington, DC 20001

To donate toys:

Donate new, unwrapped toys
for children 3-15 years old at:
441 4th St NW, Suite 721N
from November 1 - December 1

To register children:

To register children to receive a toy,
contact us at **(202) 727-3120**
or go to
<https://goo.gl/forms/jOVxmxkNQpvYGQIC3>

Toys will be limited to registered children and
will be given out on a first come, first serve basis.



To request accommodations for a disability,
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Announcements

DC Health Link: Open Enrollment



DC Health Link: Open Enrollment & Coverage Dates

English <https://www.dchealthlink.com/summarypage>

The open enrollment will start on November 1st, 2016, and end on January 31st, 2017.

Select a Plan by:	Your Coverage Begins on:
December 15, 2016	Jan 1, 2017
December 16, 2016 – January 15, 2017	February 1, 2017
January 16, 2017 – January 31, 2017	March 1, 2017

Chinese <https://www.dchealthlink.com/chinese>

公开登记自2016年11月1日起至2017年1月31日止

在该日期前选择一个计划:	保险生效日期:
2016年12月15 日	2017年1月1日
2016年12月16日 – 2017年1月15 日	2017年2月1日
2017年1月16日 – 2017年1月31 日	2017年3月1日

Vietnamese <https://www.dchealthlink.com/vietnamese>

Thời gian đăng ký bắt đầu từ ngày 01 tháng 11 năm 2016 và kết thúc vào ngày ngày 31 tháng 01 năm 2017.

Chọn lựa chương trình bảo hiểm vào: (Ngày/tháng/năm)	Bảo hiểm của quý vị sẽ bắt đầu vào: (Ngày/tháng/năm)
15/12/2016	01/01/2017
16/12/2016 – 15/01/2017	01/02/2017
16/01/2017 – 31/01/2017	01/03/2017

Korean <https://www.dchealthlink.com/korean>

오픈 등록기간은 2016년 11월 1일부터 2017년 1월 31일까지 입니다.

다음의 날짜까지 보험플랜을 등록하세요 :	보험은 다음의 날짜부터 적용됩니다:
2016년 12월 15일	2017년 1월 1일
2016년 12월 16일부터 2017년 1월 15일 사이	2017년 2월 1일
2017년 1월 16일부터 2017년 1월 31일 사이	2017년 3월 1일

DC Health Link offers quality, affordable health insurance to residents of the District of Columbia, small businesses located in the District of Columbia, and their employees. Sign up for or renew your health coverage for 2017. Sign up now through January 31, 2017 during open enrollment.

Translated materials are available on the DC Health Link website (see flyer for specific links). For more information, contact DC Health Link at (855) 532-5465 or Tuyet McDonald of MOAPIA at

KAGRO-DC Scholarship Opportunities



Korean-American Grocers Association of Greater Washington DC (KAGRO-DC) is encouraging District students to apply for its 2017 scholarships. KAGRO-DC will award up to \$1,000 to each recipient at the awards banquet in January 2017. The deadline to submit an application is December 31, 2016.

For more information or to obtain an application, please email Samuel Kim at kimsamuelcpa@gmail.com.

Private Security Camera Incentive Program

Help make DC safer and stronger

Install a private security
camera system and apply
for a rebate

For more info visit ovsjg.dc.gov



The Office of Victim Services and Justice Grants (OVSJG) wants residents to improve public safety by participating in the **Private Security Camera Incentive Program**. This program encourages residents, businesses, nonprofits, and religious institutions to purchase and install security cameras.

The program provides a rebate of up to \$200 per camera, with a maximum rebate of up to \$500 per residential address and \$750 for all other addresses.

Information about the program and the application can be found at www.ovsjg.dc.gov. For additional information, contact security.cameras@dc.gov or (202) 727-5124.

Wage Theft Prevention Amendment Act in Effect



The District of Columbia's **Wage Theft Prevention Amendment Act (WTPAA) of 2014** became effective February 26, 2015.

Beginning of **July 1, 2016, the minimum wage in the D.C. will increase from \$10.50 to \$11.50 regardless of size of employer**. The Wage Theft Prevention Amendment Act also requires business owners to post Accrued Sick and Safe Leave Act and the Minimum Wage Revision Act, and the notice of WTPAA posters where employees can easily read. Also, according to the Act, all employees must receive a written copy of Employer Notice upon employment.

MOAPIA has been conducting door-to-door outreach to over 100 API business owners in the

District to inform them about the changes and help them comply the law requirements.

For more information, contact DOES (202-671-1880) or Soojin Ku at MOAPIA (soojin.ku@dc.gov).

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